

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CARSON SCHOOL CAMPUS (Two buildings)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Dustin, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 13, T 8 N, R 11 E

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--storage and residential

OWNER: Dustin Board of Education, Box 390660, Dustin, OK 74839

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The Carson school campus consists of two WPA structures: a classroom/gymnasium facility and a teacherage. Constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone, the classroom/gym building is rectangular (59' x 141') and has a gabled roof over the gym and a flat roof with parapets over the two classrooms. Walls are capped with cut stone. Windows, with cut stone sills and singly placed, a slightly extended facade with an arch as an entryway, and the undulations of the frontal cornice give the structure a distinct romanesque quality. The masonry and rock color are excellent.

Bungalow-like, the teacherage is a single story, rectangular (27' x 36') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof is gabled, as is the cover for the front porch. The porch rests on pedestals. Windows are singly placed. The teacherage is located 100 feet southwest of the school/gym building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1939; builder/architect: unknown

The two buildings are significant because construction of them provided job opportunities in a rural and remote area for unskilled and unemployed agricultural workers who for more than two years had survived barely with welfare relief assistance. The Carson campus structures also were handsome facilities that encouraged, almost for the first time, real interest in education. As WPA buildings, the class/gym structure is remarkable for its clear romanesque style. It is the only example of a two room class facility with its own gym encountered in southeastern Oklahoma. Within the community the facilities are totally unique architecturally because of their style, type, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Carson, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 765220 3894490; B--14 765170 3894440

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From Dustin follow state highway No. 9 two and one-half miles west to a paved county road going south; go south approximately six and one-half

miles to the school property on the west side of the road, it beinning in the SW corner of Sec. 13, T 8 N, R 11 E, and going north 418 feet, west 209 feet, south 418 feet and east 209 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 49-A, 49-B

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DUSTIN AGRICULTURAL BUILDING

LOCATION: Rutherford and Fourth Streets, Dustin, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--garage

OWNER: City of Dustin, City Hall, Dustin, OK 74839

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

The Dustin Agricultural Building is a single story, rectangular (64' x 77') structure constructed of slightly rusticated and crudely coursed native sandstone. The mortar is beaded. The roof is flat with parapets; principal entryways are large enough to accommodate motor vehicles. The major entry on the south front utilizes a flat arch. Side entries are covered with flat porches supported by braces extended from above. Windows, now filled with wood inserts, utilize cut stone sills and lintels.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; architect/builder: unknown

The Dustin Agriculture Building is an excellent example of an early WPA project where the quarry and mason work are rather crude. It also suggests just how varied were the different projects of the agency. The Dustin facility seems to have been built for no specific purpose and has been used for cotton storage and peanut drying. Presently it is used by the city to store equipment. Architecturally the building is unique to the community in its type, WPA style, scale and workmanship. That construction of it provided depression jobs to destitute laborers faced with starvation makes it especially significant. Indeed, to provide such employment opportunities seems to be the specific reason that it was built.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Dustin, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 770240 3906790

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The west 100 feet of lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 35, Dustin City original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 50-A, 50-B, 50-C

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

DUSTIN SCHOOL CAMPUS (Two buildings)

LOCATION: Mahoney and Wilson Streets, Dustin, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Dustin Board of Education, Box 390660, Dustin, OK 74839

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

The Dustin School campus includes two WPA structures: a gymnasium and an auditorium/classroom facility. The gymnasium is a high ceiling, single story structure. Constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone, it is rectangular (66' x 90') in shape with a flat roof and parapets. Window openings, with pre-formed concrete sills and lintels, have been reduced in size and smaller energy efficient windows installed. A frieze and pilasters, the latter around the door and made of poured concret, decorate the structure and suggest an art deco influence.

Situated 210 feet north of the gym, the auditorium/classroom facility is a single story, T-shaped (65' x 109', with 57' x 43' extension) structure constructed of rusticated and coursed sandstone. Over the auditorium the roof is gabled; over the classrooms it is flat with parapets. A gabled porch with an archway covers the front entry; two archway entries are located at the interior angles; two others are situated at either end of the classroom section. Wood sash window placement is by ones, twos, and fives. One of the larger window openings has been enclosed with a wood insert, as has been one of the entryways. Neither enclosure destroys the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1839-1940; builder/architect: unknown

As rural WPA buildings, the two structures on the Dustin campus are notable for their stylistic allusion to art deco and for their scale. Within the community this allusion makes them unique architecturally as does their type, scale, materials and workmanship. The two buildings are also significant because construction of them provided work opportunities and some economic security for oil field workers long unemployed whose families faced the spectre of starvation on a daily basis. Moreover, it created a new environment conducive to learning, giving the isolated Dustin community modern educational facilities second to none in the eastern portion of Hughes County.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Dustin, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 769450 3907160; B--14 769460 3907060

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The south 130 feet and the north 140 feet of Block 103,
Dustin original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 51-A, 51-B, 51-C, 51-D

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HOLDENVILLE ARMORY

LOCATION: U.S. 270 highway and North Butts Street, Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes
County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use--military

OWNER: State of Oklahoma, Military Department, 3501 Military Circle, N.E., Oklahoma City,
OK 73111

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The Holdenville Armory is a single story, rectangular (100' x 198') structure constructed of red bricks. The high ceiling central portion of the building has an arched roof, while extensions on either side have flat roofs. Metal casement windows are placed singly. Simplified, stepped pilasters with decorative brickwork at corners and doorways as well as cut limestone caps on the parapets provide an art deco allusion for the building. Eight garage doors open to the west.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; architect/builder: unknown

As a WPA building, the armory is exceptional for its use of brick construction materials and decorative pilasters. Architecturally it is unique within the Holdenville community in terms of type, allusion to art deco style, scale and character of workmanship. Construction of the armory provided job opportunities for destitute oil field workers at a time when there were few within the region. It is also significant that the building itself contributed to the military preparedness of a National Guard unit that distinguished itself during the course of World War II.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 738530 3885570

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Block 3, Diamond Country
Club Addition to Holdenville original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 52-A, 52-B, 52-C, 52-D

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CENTRAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

LOCATION: E. Main and N. Bullet Streets, Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Holdenville Board of Education, 112 E. 9th Street, Holdenville, OK 74748

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74748

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

A building of ten classrooms at least, Central Junior High School is a single story, L-shaped (88' and 97' along the two wings) structure constructed of red brick laid in a running bond. The roof is flat with parapets; the front doors at the exterior angle are recessed behind a facade with an arch. The entryway gives the building a faint art deco style. Window placement varies. Upon construction, Central Junior High School itself was attached to another building; the connection, therefore, does not affect the architectural integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1941; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA school building, the structure is notable for its faint allusion to art deco style, its scale, and its brick construction materials. It suggests the relative "prosperity" of urban school districts as opposed to those in rural areas. Within the community the building is unique architecturally because of its faint art deco style and workmanship. It is especially significant because its construction gave unskilled and unemployed oilfield workers in the Holdenville area a job opportunity and some economic security, and because it provided an educational environment more conducive to learning.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 737310 3884700

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the intersection of East Main and North Bullet Streets, go west 105 feet, north 120 feet, east 105 feet and south 120 feet, in Block 119, Holdenville original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 53-A, 53-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

STROUP PARK SWIMMING POOL AND BATH HOUSE

LOCATION: North Broadway and East 12th Streets, Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: buildings and structures; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--entertainment

OWNER: City of Holdenville, City Hall, Holdenville, OK 74748

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, Ok 74748

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

A single story, rectangular (87' x 27') structure, the Stroup Park bath house is constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof is flat with a scrolled parapet over the central entryway leading to the pool. Walls are capped with cut native stone. The window openings are small with pre-formed concrete sills. Twelve feet south of the bath house is the elliptical swimming pool that measures 160 feet by 80 feet. It as well as a surrounding apron is constructed of poured concrete. At the south end of the pool are rectangular diving platforms and a pump house, also constructed of native stone. Immediately west of the pool is a half-circle wading facility, also constructed of poured concrete, with a radius of 75 feet.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; architect/builder: unknown

The Stroup Park pool and bath house are significant because they reflect the broad range of projects undertaken by the WPA and demonstrate that the agency recognized the social value of recreation. The facilities are unique in that they are one of three pools and bath houses constructed in all of Southeastern Oklahoma. Within the Holdenville community they are architecturally significant in terms of type, materials of construction and character of workmanship. It is especially significant that construction of the pool and bath house provided job opportunities for unskilled workers who were at the time destitute and on the verge of starvation.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000; 7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 737530 3885620; B--14 737500 3885600

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the Stroup Park entrance at the corner of North Broadway and East 12th Street, go west 30 feet, north 416 feet, east 208 feet, south 416 feet, and west 178 feet to park entrance, all being in Stroup Park, Holdenville City original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 54-A, 54-B, 54-C, 54-D

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HOLDENVILLE WATERWORKS (Two structures)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 29, T 7 N, R 9 E

CLASSIFICATION: building and structure; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; restricted; present use--government

OWNER: City of Holdenville, City Hall, Holdenville, OK 74848

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, Ok 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

As a water quality project, the Holdenville Waterworks include two facilities: 1) a filtration and pump house and 2) water treatment basins. A single story, rectangular (51' x 38') building, the filtration and pump house is constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof is flat with parapets, the walls are capped with cut stone, and steel casement windows, placed singly, sit between concret sills and lintels.

The water treatment basins measure 128 feet by 71 feet. Constructed of poured concret, they are subterranean structures filled with sand that open at ground level.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1937-1938; architect/builder: unknown

The Holdenville Waterworks facilities are significant in that they demonstrate the wide range of projects undertaken by the WPA. In this instance the interest was water quality. Of the several similar projects sponsored in Southeastern Oklahoma, the Holdenville works is the only one still operational. Architecturally the pump house and treatment basins are significant within the community in terms of type and character of workmanship; the pump house is notable for construction materials used. Both are remarkable because construction of them provided needed jobs for destitute workers at a time when few employment opportunities existed.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 738900 3881170; B--14 738900 3881150

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow state high No. 48 two and one-half miles southeast of Holdenville to a county road that intersects from the east; go on that road about one-half mile until it dead-ends at the waterworks. The nominated property begins at a point 2325 feet east and 1200 feet north of the SW corner of Sec 29, T 7 N, R 9 E, and goes west 80 feet, north 150 feet, east 80 feet and south 150 feet; and from the NW corner of said tract go 45 feet north for a new point of beginning, the line then proceeding east 45 feet, north 60 feet,

west 45 feet, and south 60 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 55-A, 55-B, 55-C

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Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HOLDENVILLE FOOTBALL FIELD AND STADIUM

LOCATION: North Broad and North Oak Streets, Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County
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CLASSIFICATION: structure; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use--educational/entertainment

OWNER: Holdenville Board of Education, 112 E 9th Street, Holdenville, OK 74848

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

Situated on the west edge of the football field, the Holdenville stadium is rectangular and measures 210 feet by 32 feet. The three exterior walls of the stadium are constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone, while the 14 tiers of the stands are made of poured concrete. The front facade of the stadium is decorated with pilasters and a frieze, with the entry to the runway leading through the stadium to the stands being fashioned into a pointed arch. With concrete sills and lintels, windows are singly placed. Encompassing the stadium and field is a rectangular, seven foot high fence (415' x 328') constructed of native sandstone undressed and uncoursed. Every 20 feet along the fence a pilaster provides support and visual relief. The fence and the stadium are impressive for their quality of masonry. A press box placed atop the stadium does not impeach the architectural integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1941; architect/builder: unknown

As a WPA structure, the Holdenville Football Field and Stadium are unique in terms of scale and quality of workmanship. Masonry reaches to the level of an art form. The facility also suggests the different dimensions of the WPA work program and the agency's interpretation of a "useful" public work. At a time when spirits and self-esteem were low, the football field and stadium offered a place where residents of the community could gather and cheer a winner. Since the 1930s Holdenville has always produced a winning football team. Architecturally the structure is significant within the community in terms of type, scale, style, materials and workmanship. Construction of the facility, moreover, permitted destitute laborers to have an income and learn masonry skills at a time when jobs in the private sector were non-existent.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Four acres

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 737800 3885660; B--14 737880 3885660

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the SE corner of Sec. 7, T 7 N, R 9 E, go 636 feet

west for a point of beginning, and then go 416 feet north, 416 feet west, 416 feet south, and 416 feet east. The facility also is located in Stroup Park, Holdenville City original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 56-A, 56-B, 56-C

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HOLDENVILLE FISH HATCHERY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX (Two buildings)

LOCATION: Vicinity of Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 32, T 7 N, R 9 E

CLASSIFICATION: buildings; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--government

OWNER: Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, 1801 N. Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Holdenville Fish Hatchery Administrative complex consists of two structures: 1) the office and workshop building and 2) a residence. The office and workshop building is a two story, rectangular structure, with the lower floor measuring 52 feet by 49 feet and the upper floor having dimensions of 52 feet by 29 feet. Exterior walls of both floors are constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. Over the second floor the roof is gabled, although it is shed-like over the single story segment. Exterior concrete steps reach to second story entryways at each end that are covered by gabled porches supported by pillars on pedestals, or merely by posts. There are four garage doors on the lower level, and there are steel casement windows on each level.

The residence of the administrator of the Holdenville Fish Hatchery is located 150 feet north of the office and workshop building. It is a single story, L-shaped (54' vertically and 34' horizontally) structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The roof is hipped with an intersecting gable and valley. Window placement varies, and the main entryway is without a porch cover. At the interior angle of the house a wood frame and clapboard sided room has been added, and metal sash windows have replaced steel casement windows. Neither alteration has impeached the architectural integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1938; architect/builder: unknown

The focus of an operation that included ponds, dikes and ditches, the Holdenville Fish Hatchery Administrative Complex reflects the varied types of projects undertaken by the WPA. In this instance the interest was wildlife conservation, of which the two buildings are symbolic and for which they are unique as WPA structures. The two story design of the office/workshop is also unusual for agency projects. Within the Holdenville area, both the office/workshop and the administrator residence are architecturally significant in terms of construction materials and character of workmanship. Both, as well as the many ponds in the midst of which they sit, provided job opportunities for destitute persons who had no hope of survival until construction began.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Two acres

Quadrangle: Lake Holdenville, OK

1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 739890 3878780; B--14 739910 3878720

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow state highway No. 48 southeast from Holdenville some three miles to Lake Holdenville Dam, to the west side of and below which is located the entrance to the fish hatchery; the office/workshop building is located 250 feet west of the entrance gate. The nominated property begins at a point 1248 feet south and 100 feet east of the NW corner of Sec. 32, T 7 N, R 9 E, and follows a line that goes south 416 feet, east 208 feet, north 416 feet and west 208 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 57-A, 57-B, 57-C

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LAKE HOLDENVILLE CARETAKER'S COTTAGE

LOCATION: Vicinity of Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec 32, T 7 N, R 9 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; president use--residential

OWNER: City of Holdenville, City Hall, Holdenville, OK 74848

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

A single story, rectangular (33' x 20') bungalow, the caretaker's cottage is constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The quality of masonry is especially good. The composition shingle covered roof is gabled, with an intersecting gable extending over the front entryway as a porch and supported by pillars on a pedistal. A rock "rail" surrounds the porch. Sash wood windows are singly placed, and there are two front doors. An external chimney and a basement level garage add special flavor to the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; architect/builder: unknown

The caretaker cottage is significant in that it reflects the interest of the WPA in promoting outdoor recreational activities. Within the Lake Holdenville area the cottage is architecturally important in terms of materials used and workmanship. It stands as a classic example of a general WPA style. It is also significant in that construction of it provided jobs to men who were on relief rolls and had no hope of employment in the private sector.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

Quadrangle: Lake Holdenville, OK
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 739840 3879410

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow state highway No. 48 southeast of Holdenville some three and one-half miles to the lake, the caretaker's cottage being situated on the west side of the road just north of the dam. The nominated property begins at a point 624 feet north of the SW corner of Sec. 32, T 7 N, R 9 E, and runs west 208 feet, north 208 feet, east 208 feet and south 208 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 58-A, 58-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

LAMAR SCHOOL GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: Vicinity of Lamar, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 10, T 7 N, R 11 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--community activities

OWNER: Lamar Community, Lamar, OK 74850

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

The Lamar gym and auditorium is a single story, rectangular (111' x 63') structure with offsets constructed of rusticated and crudely coursed native sandstone. Now covered with composition shingles, the roof is gabled with a step; the entry facade constitutes a cross gable with a recessed door. Above the doorway is a poured concrete slab. Window openings, with pre-formed concrete sills and lintels, have been covered with sheet metal, but this alteration does not impeach the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

The gym and auditorium is significant in that workers and families in the Larmar area were saved from starvation by being given the opportunity to work on it and because it provided space for school and community activities, especially basketball, which fostered a sense of identity and pride not widely known in the region earlier. Within the community the structure is unique because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Lamar, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 361570 3887360

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Located on the southwestern edge of Lamar, the property begins at a point 660 feet north and 660 feet east of the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec 10, T 7 N, R 11 E, and then goes 208 feet north, 208 feet west, 208 feet south, and 208 feet east.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 59-A, 59-B

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

MOSS SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: Vicinity of Holdenville, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Moss Board of Education, Route 2, Box 52, Holdenville, OK. 74848

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Moss gym is a single story, rectangular (88' x 69') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The masonry is very crude. The composition shingle covered roof is gabled; the recessed entry is covered by a small porch. Small sash windows with cut stone sills are placed under the eaves. To either end of the building have been added concrete block lean-to structures, but neither impair the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA school building, the structure is notable for its crude workmanship and very early construction date. It reflects that the program was just in its genesis. Within the community it is unique architecturally for its type and workmanship. Moreover, the building seems to have been a prototype for structures later built on the Moss school campus. The gym is significant because construction of it provided work opportunities for unskilled and unemployed laborers in the rural Moss area where none had previously existed and because it provided space for school and community activities, especially basketball, which fostered a sense of identity and pride not widely known in the region beforehand.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Lamar, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 752580 3884320

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the intersection of U.S highway No. 270 and No. 75 nine miles east of Holdenville, go one mile south and one mile east. Gym property begins at the NE corner of Sec. 22, T 7 N, R 10 E, and goes south 225 feet, west 120 feet, north 225 feet and east 120 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 60-A

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

SPAULDING SCHOOL GYMNASIUM/AUDITORIUM

LOCATION: Section Line Highway and 2nd Street, Spaulding, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--community activities

OWNER: Spaulding Community, Spaulding, OK 74066

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

The Spaulding gym and auditorium is a single story, rectangular (90' x 80') structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. Now covered with composition shingles, the roof is gabled. Window openings on the front, which reach to the eaves, have been enclosed with wood inserts; those on the east rear have been enclosed with concrete blocks. From the west front, however, the architectural integrity of the building remains unimpeached.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; architect/builder: unknown

The gym/auditorium is significant because its construction provided jobs for destitute, unemployed oil field workers in the Spaulding, restoring to them some personal pride and some economic security. It is also important because it provided space for school and community activities, especially basketball, which fostered a sense of identity and purpose not widely known in the region earlier on. It remains a focus of pride for a people whose town has all but disappeared. Within the community itself the structure is unique architecturally because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. As a WPA gym/auditorium, it is wholly unique in southeastern Oklahoma in terms of roof line and window placement patterns.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Holdenville, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 733460 3877130

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 13, plus 60 feet of right of way, Spaulding original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 61-A, 61-B

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg.,
Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

WETUMKA ARMORY

LOCATION: St. Louis and Wetumka Streets, Wetumka, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present
use--educational

OWNER: Wetumka Board of Education, Box 8, Wetumka, OK 74883

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: good condition; unaltered; original site

The Wetumka Armory is a single story, rectangular (198' x 117') structure constructed of red brick with running bond. With high interior ceilings, the central portion of the building has an arched roof, while sections on either side with lower ceilings have flat roofs. The central segment has impressive tower-like parapets at each corner. Rusticated and coursed buff colored sandstone is used as quoins, as frames for pilasters and along the top of each wall and pediment. Contrasting with the red brick, the native stone provides a decorative highlight for the entire structure. Metal casement windows and segmental arches over doorways are major characteristics of the structure. It also contains eight garage doors.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; architect/builder: unknown

As a WPA building, the armory is exceptional for its use of red brick construction material and its employment of native sandstone for decorative purposes. Its scale is also more impressive than most WPA structures. Architecturally the armory is unique within the Wetumka community in terms of type, style, scale and character of workmanship. Construction of the armory provided job opportunities for destitute oil field workers at a time when starvation and loss of self respect was a realistic option. The building is also significant in that it helped to prepare militarily a unit of the Oklahoma National Guard that later distinguished itself in World War II in North Africa and Italy.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Wetumka, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 750820 3902460

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 52, Wetumka City original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 62-A, 62-B, 62-C

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

WETUMKA CENTRAL SCHOOL

LOCATION: St. Louis and Canadian Streets, Wetumka, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Wetumka Board of Education, Box 8, Wetumka, OK 74883

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A building of at least ten classrooms, the Wetumka Central school is a single story, rectangular (203' x 52') structure constructed of light red brick laid with a running bond. The roof is flat with parapets, although over the front and rear sides it extends out to form eaves. The metal casement windows are placed principally in threes. The entryways are recessed and decorated with pilasters and roof cornices. The stylistic allusion is distinctly art deco. To the west rear of the building has been attached a classroom and auditorium addition; it does not, however, infringe upon the architectural integrity of the structure.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1939-1940; builder/architect: unknown

The school building is important because destitute farmers and oil field workers in the Wetumka area found work opportunities and a measure of economic security when it was constructed. The modern design of the structure, especially the expansive windows, created a new environment conducive to learning. As a WPA school building, the structure is notable for its stylistic allusion to art deco, its brick construction material, and its scale. It suggests the relative "prosperity" of urban school districts as opposed to those in rural areas, and within the community it is unique architecturally because of its style and workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Wetumka, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 751730 3902460

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 52, Wetumka original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 63-A, 63-B

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

WETUMKA CEMETERY PAVILION AND FENCE

LOCATION: Vicinity of Wetumka, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063; Sec. 24, T 9 N, R 10 E

CLASSIFICATION: building/structure; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--cemetery

OWNER: City of Wetumka, City Hall, Wetumka, OK 74883

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; unaltered; original site

The cemetery pavilion is a single story, rectangular (20' x 23') structure constructed of undressed and uncoursed native sandstone. The roof is flat with a parapet. The front facade extends to include a double doorway; windows are wood sash and symetrically placed. Immediately to the rear of the pavilion is a circular watertower that is 15 feet tall and 36 feet in circumference. Because of the curved walls, the masonry is unusually skilled. To the front of the cemetery, some 683 feet west of the pavilion is a native stone fence that stands three feet tall and sixteen inches wide and runs 845 feet in distance. The length of the fence and the placement of the undressed stone make it a work of art.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1935-1936; architect/builder: unknown

The Wetumka Cemetery Pavilion and Fence are important because they suggest the broad range of public works undertaken by the WPA, especially during its genesis. Moreover, the water tower and the fence were constructed with such care and skill that they stand as remarkable works of art. The length of the fence, without reinforcing pedestals, is itself architecturally impressive, at least within southeastern Oklahoma. The improvements are most significant because construction of them provided jobs to individuals who had been long unemployed, resulting in a measure of economic security and more self esteem.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Wetumka, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: A--14 753820 3902800; B--14 753820 3902540; C--14 754070 3902700

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: On the northeast corner of Wetumka where U. S. highway No. 75 turns north, go straight east on paved county road one and one-fourth miles and turn right to the cemetery. The nominated property begins at a point 450' south of the NW corner of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 24, T 9 N, R 10 E and runs south 870 feet, east 30 feet, north 870 feet and west 30 feet; and then 340 feet south and 675 east of the above point of beginning, go south 40 feet, east 50 feet, north 40 feet, and west 50 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 64-A, 64-B, 64-C

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

WETUMKA HIGH SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM

LOCATION: Tiger and Okmulgee Streets, Wetumka, Oklahoma 040, Hughes County 063

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use-educational

OWNER: Wetumka Board of Education, Box 8, Wetumka, OK 74883

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Hughes County Courthouse, Holdenville, OK 74848

DESCRIPTION: excellent condition; altered; original site

A multiple classroom and gymnasium facility, the Wetumka High School is a single story, U-shaped structure constructed of buff brick laid with running bond. Except over the gym where it is arched, the roof is flat with parapets, although over classroom wings the roof extends to form eaves. The front entry facade is constructed of limestone blocks and decorated with a frieze and incising. The front doors are glass, encased in metal, with lights above; the windows too have metal casements. Angular roof extensions, lighter stone laid in parallel courses, and the front facade lend the building an art deco stylistic flavor. Adding a metal addition to the gym on the southwest corner of the building has not impeached the architectural integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

As a WPA school building, the structure is notable for its stylistic allusion to art deco, its brick construction material and its scale. It suggests the relative "prosperity" of urban school districts as opposed to those in rural areas. Within the community the building is unique architecturally because of its style and workmanship. It is especially significant because its construction provided work opportunities and some economic security for oil field workers on relief in the Wetumka area and because it created for students an environment, e.g., better light, more conducive to learning.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than two acres

Quadrangle: Wetumka, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 14 751490 3902380

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: From the intersection of Tiger and Benson streets go west 260 feet, south 270 feet, east 260 feet, and north 270 feet, in Block 16, Hall-Williams Addition, Wetumka original

PICTURE REFERENCE: 65-A, 65-B, 65-C